Financial (1897) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 1087

Dated 25-12-97

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Sanctioning, with effect from the 3rd Dec^r 97, the prop^d statements for increase of establishment in the Stewards dept of the Govt Maternity Hospital; and requesting the G.G. to carry out certain alterations in the budget estimates of the Medical dept for 1898 99

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Through the Accountant General, Madras.

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. ~~4657~~ 4010.

E.S.

Reg^d 17.12.97

Order

Approved. The statement will be transferred to the Financial Department for the necessary action with reference to G.O. 1133, 10.XII.97.

MRC. 17/XII. SEA 19.12.97

From
Surgeon-Major-General C. Sibthorpe, C.B., F.R.C.P.I.,
Surgeon-General with the Govt. of Madras.

No. 507.

Dated 8th December 1897.
Received } 16.12.97
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SUBJECT.

~~Submitting~~ Forwarding for sanction of Government proposition statements ~~in duplicate~~ for increase of Establishment in the Stewards Department of the Government Maternity Hospital.

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r revision of Establishment.

Increment.	Maximum.	Average cost.	Proposition. Permanent. Increase per month. Amount.	Proposition. Permanent. Decrease per month. Amount.	Proposition. Temporary. Increase per month. Period.	Proposition. Temporary. Increase per month. Amount.	Proposition. Temporary. Decrease per month. Period.	Proposition. Temporary. Decrease per month. Amount.	Grounds of proposition.	Local Government's recommendation.	Orders of the Government of India. Home Department. Remarks.	Orders of the Government of India. Financial Department. Remarks.	Orders of the Government of India. Financial Department. Orders.
A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.		Rs. A.		Rs. A.					
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Department,
General, with reference to G.O., No. 1695,
23rd September 1878, Financial Department.

If Local Government is competent to sanction, its order will be written across these four columns.

Signature

(Officer's Designation) Brigade Sign Lt & Superintendent Govt Maternity Hospital

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL'S REPORT.

No. 485/333

The entries in the column of "Present Scale" have been compared with the Registers of this office, and are correct ~~with the exception of the items altered in red ink.~~

The proposed alteration is within the sanctioning powers of the Local Government.

Accountant-General's Office,
Fort Saint George,
15th December 1897.

Accountant-General.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Department.

No.

Fort Saint George,
The 189 .

Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George.

Enclosure No 1 to Letter No dated 8/12/97. (Original)

Statement of Proposition for revision of Establishment.

Order sanctioning present establishment. Government of Madras Medical Department. No. — Date —

Office to which the proposition refers. Surgeon General Madras.

| Nature of Charge. | | |

Enclosure No 2 to Letter No dated 5/12/97.

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL
6 DEC 1897
WITH GOVT OF MADRAS

Statement of Proposition f

Order sanctioning present establishment. Government of Madras Medical Department. No.	Date.	Office to which the proposition refers.	Nature of Charge. — Present Scale. No.	Designation.	Pay. Minimum.	Pay. Increment.	Pay. Maximum.	Average cost.	Proposed Scal. No.	Designation.	Minimum.
					RS. A.	RS. A.	RS A.	RS. A.			RS A.
G.O. No. 441 Public (Medl) dated 4th April 1896. G.O. No. 111 Public (Medl) dated 29th January 1897. G.O. No. 847 Public (Medl) dated 22nd July 1897.		The Madras Government Medical Training School for Lascarines	1	Senior Medical Subordinate allowance for teaching European & Eurasian					1	Senior Medical Subordinate allowance for teaching European & Eurasian	
				Midwifery pupil class	50 -	- -	60 -	50 -		Midwifery pupil class	50 -
			1	2d Medical Subordinate allowance for teaching European & Eurasian					1	2d Medical Subordinate allowance for teaching European & Eurasian	
				Midwifery Nurse pupil class	25 -	- -	25 -	25 -		Midwifery Nurse pupil class	25 -
			1	Hospital Assistant allowance for teaching					1	Hospital Assistant allowance for teaching	
				Native pupils	10 -	- -	10 -	10 -		Native pupils	10 -
									1	Writer	20 -
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Madras 4th December 1897.

To

The Secretary to Governm
through the Accoun
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Med Public Dept.
Enclos. No 4
to
No 4010

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL'S REPORT.

No. 104/334

THE entries in the column of "Present Scale" have been compared with the Registers of this office, and are correct ~~with the exception of the items altered in red ink.~~

The proposed alteration is within the sanctioning powers of the Local Government.

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Fort Saint George,
15th December 1897.

Accountant-General.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

DEPARTMENT.

No.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
The 189 .

Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George.

Enclosure No. 3 to Letter No. dated 1897.

Statement proposing expenditure for which provision has not been made in the Budget for 1897-98. and which cannot be met from anticipated savings within the grant head.

Amount of allotment required	Major head under which the expenditure will fall	Explanation as to why no reappropriation within the Budget grant is considered possible	Major head from which a transfer to meet the charge is ordered.
for 1897-98 - 3 x 27 = Rs 81 for 1898-99 - 12 x 27 = Rs 324	24. Medical Provincial	Expenditure not anticipated So no provision was made in the budget	

(Rs 100 has been provided for the pay of the Steward
Deduct Rs 80 the present pay of the appointment
the actual amount required is Rs 20 + 7 or 27 Rs)

Cuddapah. 4th December 97.

Brevet Lieut Col
Superintendent Government Hospital

DEC 1897
OFFICIAL SECRETARIAT WITH GOVT OF MADRAS

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
16 DEC 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

THE entries in the column of "Present Scale" have been compared with the Regulations

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FORT SAINT GEORGE,

The 189

Enclosure No 4 to Letter No

Statement proposing expenditure for which provision has not been made in the Budget for 1897-98 and which cannot be met from anticipated Savings under the grant head.

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL
6 DEC. 1897
WITH GOVT. OF MADRAS

Amount of allotment required	Major head under which the expenditure will fall	Explanation as to why no reappropriation from Budget grant is possible	Major head from which a transfer to meet the charge is ordered.
For 1897-98 - 3×20 = Rs 60 For 1898-99 - 12×20 = Rs 240	24 - Medical Provincial	Expenditure not anticipated So no provision has been made in the Budget	

Madras 4th December 97.

Brigade Surgeon Lt Col
Supdt Govt Centenary Hospital

[1] Urgent

Through the Accountant General, Madras

No. 4010

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
Madras 8th December 1897.

No. 807.

From

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL C. SIBTHORPE, C.B., F.R.C.P.I.,
SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Public DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In continuation of my letters noted in the margin, I have the honor to forward herewith proposition Statements in duplicate for increase of establishment in the Steward's Department of the Government Maternity Hospital for the sanction of Government.

2. It appears that the Senior member of Council gave orders personally to the Superintendent to employ the extra staff from the 3rd December 1897; to avoid difficulties with the Account Department regarding payment early orders of Government are solicited for the employment of the extra staff with effect from the date mentioned above.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

C Sibthorpe
Surgeon-Major-General
Surgeon-General
with the Govt. of Madras.

ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
9 DEC 97
MADRAS

No. 35 dated 14th October 1897.
No. 399 dated 21st October 1897.
H in Y.O. 1633 10/12/97

1897
Public Dept.
Enclos. No. 1
To
O. No. 4010

Govt CURRENT No. 4011

Government {1897} of Madras.

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G.O., No. 1633, 10th December 1897.

DECEMBER.

Government Maternity Hospital.

Passing orders on the subject of the grant of batta to pregnant women at the — and the Raja Sir Ramaswamy Lying-in Hospital; and on that of the increase in the establishment of the —.

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6468

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following papers :—

From Surgeon-Major-General C. SIBTHORPE, C.B., F.R.C.P.I., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 10th October 1897, No. T-5—27.

With reference to your memorandum, No. 1748, Public, dated 20th August 1897, calling for a report on the advisability or otherwise of abolishing the system of dieting pregnant women at the Government Maternity and Raja Sir Ramaswamy Lying-in Hospitals, I have the honour to state that this system was originally introduced with the object of diminishing mortality of labour cases among native women rather than with that of providing material for the instruction of the students of the Medical College.

2. The following reasons in favour of the continuance of this system have been advanced by the Superintendents of the two hospitals :—

(*a*) It enables the medical officer to keep under observation a class of women who would otherwise be likely to have a difficult or dangerous labour, and who, though not ill enough to be willing to come into hospital as in-patients, still need some watching in the latter months of pregnancy or perhaps require rest from manual labour.

(*b*) There is not sufficient accommodation available in the hospitals for all such cases, even if it were desirable to admit them as in-patients.

(*c*) The good effect which this system has had in diminishing the mortality of labour among native women has been frequently pointed out, and there can be no doubt that by its means not only have many lives been saved but a healthier offspring has been obtained.

(*d*) There is also the educational side of the question, viz., that it is desirable to have a supply of cases in which the process of labour can be studied from beginning to end by the large number of women—Europeans, Eurasians and natives—who are trained at these institutions in midwifery. It is to be remembered that these women are sent out to work in all parts of the Presidency. There is still, and there must continue to be, a large demand for such women in the country, and the hospitals have for years been doing an important work in training them. There are also the students in the Medical College to be considered, but these are comparatively few in number.

3. In concurring fully in the views set forth above, I may state that a careful selection is made among cases seeking for relief, every care being taken that the system is not abused. Further, the women are inspected daily, and if found not to be doing well, they are taken into the wards of the hospitals as in-patients.

4. In this connection, I may be permitted to state that an experiment was made in the year 1873 at Government Maternity Hospital by reducing the money allowance paid to pregnant women, and it was attended with results highly prejudicial to the institution. The then Superintendent, Dr. Cockerill, stated in a communication dated 21st November 1873 that "the system now in vogue has been in operation since 1844, and bearing in mind how disastrous the results were when the batta money was only reduced in amount, I cannot but express my opinion that the complete withholding of this indulgence would only entail still more injurious consequences."

5. Under these circumstances, I recommend that the system of dieting pregnant women in these hospitals be still allowed to continue.

6. Adverting to paragraph 2 of the memorandum under reference, I have to state that, in the year 1895, the batta money was stopped temporarily in the Government Maternity Hospital, because the central block was under alteration and repair and accommodation could not conveniently be made for these women. Last year when the improvements in the central block were completed, it was re-introduced to a limited extent as the original building used for these patients which had temporarily been used as an office had again become available.

From Surgeon-Major-General C. SIBTHORPE, C.B., F.R.C.P.I., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government (through the Accountant-General), dated Calicut, 14th October 1897, No. T-5—35.

With reference to paragraph 7 of G.O., No. 1086, Public, dated the 19th August 1897, directing that the question of the Steward's department of the Government Maternity Hospital, Madras, should form the subject of a separate communication, I have the honour to offer the following remarks.

2. My views generally on the subject have been expressed in my letters quoted in the margin and render a recapitulation of them here unnecessary. But, as in the concluding portion of paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 651, Public, dated 20th June 1896, Government was of opinion that "it has not been shown what increase of work there has been to justify an additional establishment", the following facts are now laid down before Government in detail.

No. 430, dated 4th October 1895.
„ T-130, dated 25th May 1896.

3. The Steward's department of the Government Maternity Hospital consists of —

1 Steward,
1 Clerk, and
1 Storekeeper,

each of whom has distinct work and responsibilities of his own. With regard to the work that devolves on them, the Superintendent observes as follows :—

"It is possible that a superficial comparison of the number of patients admitted now with the numbers admitted some years ago would not show that there has been any considerable increase in work done, but there is no doubt that since the removal of the hospital to these buildings, the character of the work has expanded enormously and out of all proportion to the actual increase in numbers, and there can also be no doubt that, since the system of dieting departmentally was introduced, the work in the Steward's department has become much more onerous; a great deal of work which was formerly done by the contractor and his gumastahs now falling directly on the steward.

"The daily arrangements for the diets and the preparation of the tabular statements of the daily cost of the diets with the inspection of the issue of the food, the proper upkeep of the hospital furniture and all matters connected with a house steward's work is quite as much as one man can manage.

"The accounts are quite sufficient work for one man and require a skilled accountant to keep them in order. The office correspondence, the preparation of reports and returns and the keeping-up of the hospital non-professional books is as much as another man can be expected to do.

"There is also considerable correspondence and scriptory work in connection with the midwifery training establishment for which the services of a separate writer should be made available.

"The storekeeper has his own duties which fully occupy him.

"The menial establishment is also too small and the services of a peon or messenger for the Steward's department are really very necessary, there being no office peon in the establishment."

4. Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Branfoot further states :—

"There has never been any provision in the department for leave or sickness, and so long as the steward kept well and at his work things have gone on fairly well. If the steward has required absence, even for a day or two, inconvenience and even some confusion could not be avoided. Holidays and rest on Sundays which, under the rules, are to be shared when possible

by the steward and hospital writer, can rarely, if ever, be taken and office hours have been much longer than those laid down by regulation. It is desirable that one member of the Steward's department (*i.e.*, either the steward himself or the hospital writer) be in the hospital between 6 A.M. and 6 P.M. daily, Sundays and holidays included; and with such a limited staff it is difficult to arrange for this being done. I have no hesitation in stating that the establishment has been out of all proportion "meagre" to that to be found in other Government offices. More than one writer has resigned on account of the long hours he was required to be in office and there has been a difficulty in filling the post with a man who had a desirable experience of office work. The steward himself, I believe, only remained because he had been buoyed up by the hope that in time more assistance would be given.

"One result of the strain in the Steward's department is that much of the time of the Superintendent which should be available for work in the wards or for teaching the students and midwifery pupils or for other professional work in the hospital has necessarily to be given to supervising the steward's work. The legitimate work of the Resident Assistant Surgeon has also to be interfered with from the same cause."

5. The gynæcological block was opened at the hospital in 1891. The following table contrasts the average daily sick of in-patients at the hospital in 1881 with that in 1891 and in 1896:—

—	During		
	1881.	1891.	1896.
Average daily sick of in-patients ..	40·94	89·60	110·36

There has also been a similar increase in the number of gynæcological operations and abdominal sections as shown below:—

Year.	Number of gynæcological operations.	Number of abdominal sections.
1889..	60	5
1891..	148	11
1896..	315	46
1897 (8½ months)	257	42

6. The Superintendent further observes:—

"In all the work and in the administration of the hospital and the nursing school, the Superintendent has been single-handed. To allow for smoothness of working and for a fair amount of rest on holidays and Sundays, the department should, I think, be increased to the extent shewn below:—

Present Scale.						Proposed Scale.						Permanent.		
		Pay.					Pay.							
No.	Designation.	Minimum.	Increment.	Maximum.	Average cost.	No.	Designation.	Minimum.	Increment.	Maximum.	Average cost.	Average increase. Amount.	Average decrease. Amount.	Remarks.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1	Steward	60	8	100	90	1	House Steward ..	80	..	80	80	..	10	
						1	Assistant Steward and Accountant ..	40	..	40	40	40	..	
1	Clerk	25	..	25	25	1	Hospital Writer ..	25	..	25	25	..	..	
						1	Writer for Midwifery School	20	..	20	20	20	..	
1	Storekeeper	20	..	20	20	1	Storekeeper	20	..	20	20	..	..	
						1	Peon	7	..	7	7	7	..	
											Total ..	67	10	
											Net increase ..	57		

"The actual increase asked for is not a very large one, and by making the pay of the appointments fixed, no increments of salary will arise. In asking for the increase, I am not actuated by any desire to shirk work or responsibilities, but I do seek to do what, I believe, the Government would wish, viz., to expand the professional usefulness of this hospital by relieving tension in administration work and so being able to work in a fairly equable way."

7. I strongly support the proposals of Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Branfoot and commend them for the favourable consideration of Government, specially as they entail a very small extra expenditure of Rs. 57 per mensem. It will be quite impossible for the Superintendent to give due attention to his important professional duties of treating the sick and clinical teaching if he is not provided with a competent and adequate staff to assist him in the administration of the hospital.

8. On receipt of the sanction of Government, the necessary proposition statement, &c., will be submitted through the Accountant-General.

No. 3270.

Forwarded.

Fort St. George,
20*th October* 1897.

(Signed) F. C. HARRISON,
Offg. Accountant-General.

From the Surgeon-General, dated 21st October 1897, No. 399.

Abstract.—Requesting that the proposal of the Superintendent, Government Maternity Hospital, for the entertainment of an assistant steward on a salary of Rs. 40 per mensem may be sanctioned.

From the Surgeon-General, dated 20th and 29th November 1897, Nos. 465 and 488 respectively.

Order—No. 1633, Public, dated 10th December 1897.

In the circumstances stated in the Surgeon-General's letter, No. T-5—27, dated 10th October 1897, the existing system of granting batta to pregnant women at the Government Maternity Hospital and the Raja Sir Ramaswamy Lying-in Hospital may be continued on the understanding that it is to be worked at a lower rate of expenditure.

2. The Government is satisfied as to the necessity for the increase in the establishment of the Government Maternity Hospital, asked for in the Surgeon-General's letter, No. T-5—35, dated 14th October 1897, and sanction is accorded thereto with effect from 3rd instant.

The Financial Department will be requested to make the necessary provision for the additional expenditure of Rs. 57 per mensem.

(True Extract.)

for *Chief Secretary.*

To the Surgeon-General.
" Financial Department. ✓
" Accountant-General.

Erd. A. Raitt.

[G/24]
1,000–22-11-97.

Finl: DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:–

Again GO., No. , dated 189 .
Again G.O., No. , dated 189 .
Current No. 4011 of 1897, dated 10 December, from the Pub: dept
" " " 189 , " , "
" " " 189 , " , "

N.R.

ORDER.

The following alteration will be made in the budget estimate of charges of the Medical dept: for 1898-99 passed in G.C No: 978 Finl: d/25 November 1897.

No read as will do all this

B

Govt Maternity Hospital Establishment:– (page 18)

For '1 Steward (60-8-100) ---1200' read '1 Steward (80)---960'

P. 180 of the estimate

−240

Add '1 Asstd Steward and Accountant (40)---480'

+480

For 'Peons 2 (7)' read 'Peons 3 (7)' and for '5268' shown as total read '5352'

+84
324

School Establishment

Add '1 writer (20)' & for '6228' shown as total read '6468'

+240

+564

'6468'.

For '19536' against total establishment read '20100'. +564

Contingencies

For '1500' shown against Batta to pregnant women read '1000' & for '7449' shown as total Contingencies read '6949' — 500

Page 20 of the estimate

Please see H. Dis notes at ©2
J. 7.12.97 in G.O.
No 1633 Public 9.10.12.97

For '60,000' shown against 'Total Govt. Maternity Hospital' read '60064' (+64)

Presidency Hospitals & Dispensaries (page 14)

Summary

For '60,000' shown against 'Maternity Hospital' read '60064'

Page 14 of the estimate

For '303014' shown as total read 303078 +64

For '3114' shown as Probable savings read '3178' +64

Surgeon-Genl
Pub: Dept.
Accts-Genl
Dickens Table

Draft 22/12/97

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1,000—22-11-97.

Fin: DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

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" " 4011 " 1897, " 20 Dec " " " Pub. Dept

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Submit D/Secy
Medl Secy Govt.
Cwls
23.12.97

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The proposition stated
are sanctioned with effect from
the 3d December 1897.

2 This sanction has been registered as No 64: of 1897-98.

3. The Acct Genl will be requested to carry out the necessary alterations in the ~~budget~~ estimates ~~under the provisions~~ passed in GO. No 978 Fin, J 26th November 1897, reducing the provision for Batta to pregnant women under Govt. Maternity Hospital - Contingencies (page 20) from Rs 1,500 to Rs 1000, and raising the "Probable Savings" in the summary under Presidency Hospitals and Dispensaries (page 14) from Rs 3,114 to Rs 3,178

B

Cwls. 23.12.97

Draft Rejected 24.12.97 VT 24.12.97

To ~~The Public dept (V)~~ ~~Surgeon General (P)~~ ~~Accts-General~~ P&T Currency

Public Dept. (G/24/4011 - P/T 4010)
Surgn. Genl
Accts Genl. ~~(G/24/4010)~~

Draft 22/12/97

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